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SUBJECT: OECD IME - NATIONAL TREATMENT GUIDELINE

- 1. WE HAVE RECEIVED IME SECRETARIAT (VOGELAAR) PROPOSED PLAIN LANGUAGE VERSION OF NATIONAL TREATMENT GUIDELINES UNDER COVER OF TRANSMITTAL SLIP FROM BASEK, AND ARE CONCERNED THAT THIS MAY BE GETTING WIDE DISTRIBUTION CONTRARY TO UNDERSTANDING THAT BOEKER HAD FOLLOWING LAST IME MEETING.
- 2. VOGELAAR SHOWED BOEKER PLAIN LANGUAGE TEXT AT LAST IME MEETING AND WAS TOLD THAT U.S.G. DID NOT FAVOR PLAIN LANGUAGE APPROACH TO NATIONAL TREATMENT AGREEMENT. U.S.G. SUBSEQUENTLY TABLED IN IME A RE-DRAFT OF THIS DOCUMENT WHICH RECEIVED GENERALLY FAVORABLE RESPONSE.
- 3. OUR UNDERSTANDING WAS THAT SECRETARIAT WAS TO PREPARE RESOLUTION-STYLE DRAFT MELDING ITS PREVIOUS DRAFT AND U.S.G. SUGGESTIONS. WE AGREED TO MEET INFORMALLY WITH LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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VOGELAAR AND FRG REPRESENTATIVE DURING COURSE OF XCSS

MEETING NEXT WEEK TO DISCUSS THIS MATTER FURTHER.

4. REQUEST USOECD TO MAKE SURE THAT SECRETARIAT UNDERSTANDS THAT WE DO NOT WANT PLAIN LANGUAGE VERSION OF NATIONAL TREATMENT PURSUED AT THIS TIME. FYI: IT IS

IMPORTANT THAT WE CLARIFY THIS MATTER EARLY IN THE GAME IN ORDER TO AVOID ANOTHER UNFORTUNATE MISUNDERSTANDING WITH VOGELAAR. INGERSOLL

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